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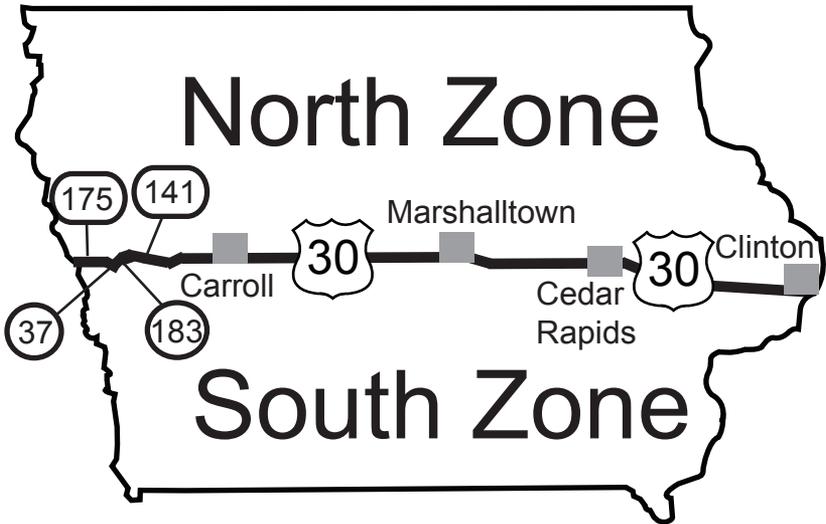
IOWA WATERFOWL

HUNTING REGULATIONS

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Important Changes for the 2009-10 Hunting Seasons

- The north and south hunting zones for ducks and geese are identical in 2009. The boundary line separating the goose zones was moved from Hwy 20 to match the line that separates the duck zones along Hwy 30.



- The season on canvasbacks is open in 2009 with a bag limit of 1 canvasback per day.
- The scaup bag limit is 2 per day for the entire season.

Four new waterfowl refuges were established in 2009:

- A portion of the Crystal Hills WMA in Hancock County
 - A portion of the Eagle Lake WMA in Hancock County
 - A portion of the Eagle Flats WMA in Hancock County
 - A portion of the Ventura Marsh WMA in Cerro Gordo County
- The size of the Monona-Woodbury Canada Goose Closed Hunting Zone was reduced to allow hunting on and around Blue Lake in Monona County.

This publication is a **supplement** to the 2009-10 Iowa Hunting and Trapping Regulations booklet, which contains general hunting and trapping information. **Migratory game bird hunters must follow other regulations outlined in the 2009-10 Iowa Hunting and Trapping Regulations booklet.** Additional migratory bird information is available on the DNR’s web site at www.iowadnr.gov

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2009-10 Migratory Game Bird Season Dates

	North Zone Duck	South Zone Duck
Ducks, Mergansers and Coots	Sept. 19 - 23 Oct. 10 - Dec. 3	Sept. 19 - 23 Oct. 17 - Dec. 10
Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days	Oct. 3 - 4	Oct. 3 - 4
Canada Geese and Brant	Sept. 26 - Oct. 4 Oct. 10 - Dec. 13 Dec. 19 - Jan. 3	Sept. 26 - Oct. 4 Oct. 17 - Dec. 13 Dec. 19 - Jan. 10

Statewide	
White-fronted Geese	Sept. 26 - Dec. 6
Light Geese (white and blue phase snow geese and Ross' geese)	Sept. 26 - Jan. 10
Light Goose Conservation Order (white and blue phase snow geese and Ross' geese)	Jan. 11 - April 15 (additional regulations apply)
Woodcock	Oct. 3 - Nov. 16
Snipe	Sept. 5 - Nov. 30
Rails (Sora and Virginia)	Sept. 5 - Nov. 13

Special September Canada Goose Seasons Within Zones

Canada Geese Sept. 1 - 15

Only in designated zones around Des Moines, Cedar Rapids/
Iowa City, and Cedar Falls/Waterloo. Special regulations apply.
See Special September Canada Goose Season maps at select
license agents in hunt zones and online at
<http://www.iowadnr.gov/wildlife/files/earlycago.html>

Report Banded Ducks and Geese

**Bands can be reported at www.reportband.gov or by
calling 1-800-327-BAND (2263)**

Reporting the harvest of banded waterfowl provides valuable
information which helps sustain waterfowl populations and
hunting for the future.

2009-10 Migratory Game Bird Hunting Regulations

Shooting Hours: 1/2-hour before sunrise to sunset for all migratory game bird species except woodcock, which is sunrise to sunset.

Bag Limits

Ducks: Daily limit is 6, including no more than 4 mallards (of which no more than 2 may be female), 3 wood ducks, 2 redheads, 2 scaup, 1 black duck, 1 pintail, 1 mottled duck and 1 canvasback.

Mergansers: Daily limit is 5, including no more than 2 hooded mergansers.

Coots: Daily limit is 15.

Geese: Daily limit is 2 Canada geese, 2 white-fronted geese, 1 brant and 20 snow geese, **EXCEPT** during the Special September Canada goose season in the Des Moines, Cedar Rapids/Iowa City, and Cedar Falls/Waterloo Zones when the daily bag limit is 5 Canada geese.

Woodcock: Daily limit is 3.

Snipe: Daily limit is 8.

Rails (Sora and Virginia): Daily limit is 12.

Possession Limits

Twice the daily bag limit for all the above species except for light geese for which there is no possession limit.

Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days: Shooting hours and daily bag limits will conform to those set for the regular waterfowl seasons.

Duck and Goose Hunting Zones: (see map on p. 2)

For the purpose of duck and goose hunting, the state is divided into 2 zones by a line beginning on the Nebraska-Iowa border at State Highway 175, east to State Highway 37, southeast to State Highway 183, northeast to State Highway 141, east to U.S. Highway 30, and along U.S. Highway 30 to the Iowa-Illinois border. The south duck and goose hunting zone is the remainder of the state.

Hunting Licenses and Fees

RESIDENTS

Hunting	\$17.50
Habitat Fee (Ages 16 to 65)	\$11.50
Migratory Game Bird Fee	\$8.50
Hunting Preserve	\$6.00
Lifetime Hunting (Age 65 and older)	\$51.00
Federal Duck Stamp	\$15.00

NONRESIDENTS

Hunting (18 years and older)	\$110.50
Hunting (Under 18 years)	\$30.50
Habitat Fee	\$11.50
Migratory Game Bird Fee	\$8.50
Hunting Preserve	\$6.00
Falconry	\$26.50
Federal Duck Stamp	\$15.00

Resident or nonresident licenses and stamps listed in this table are required to hunt migratory game birds in Iowa. All licenses, fees and stamps must be carried on your person while hunting or trapping.

R = Resident NR = Nonresident X = License or fee required NA = Not available	Under 16		16 - 64		65 and Older		Disabled Veteran / POW		Landowner or Tenant		Military Stationed in Iowa		Military Resident on Leave ⁶	
	R	NR	R	NR	R	NR	R	NR	R	NR	R	NR	R	NR
Hunting License	¹ X		X	X	X	X	X ²	NA	³	³	X			
Iowa Habitat Fee ⁴	X		X	X		X	NA		³	³	X			
Federal Duck Stamp ⁵			X	X	X	X	X	NA	X ⁵	X ⁵	X			X
Iowa Migratory Bird Fee ⁵			X	X	X	X	X	NA	X ⁵	X ⁵	X			X

¹Not required for residents under 16 if accompanied by a licensed adult (18 years or older). See page 8. ²Lifetime hunting license available to residents who qualify. ³Not required for resident and nonresident landowners or tenants or their juvenile children when hunting on their own land. See page 8. ⁴Required unless under 16 years old, 65 years old or older or disabled. ⁵Required unless under age 16. ⁶See explanation pages 8-9.

License and Fee Requirements

Hunting License - Iowa residents 16 years old and older and all nonresidents, except those under 16 years of age, are required to carry a valid hunting license, pay the habitat fee and Iowa migratory game bird fee, and carry a valid federal migratory waterfowl stamp (duck stamp) while waterfowl hunting. Nonresidents under 16 years of age are only required to carry a valid hunting license and pay the habitat fee.

Military personnel stationed in Iowa may purchase resident hunting licenses regardless of their official state of residency.

Wildlife Habitat Fee - Iowa residents who are 16 to 65 years old, and nonresidents regardless of age, who are required to have a hunting license must pay the wildlife habitat fee to hunt waterfowl. Residents that have special disabled-person licenses are exempt.

Iowa Migratory Game Bird Fee - All residents and nonresidents 16 years old or older must pay the Iowa migratory game bird fee to hunt geese, brant, ducks, snipe, rail, woodcock, gallinule or coot. The fee must be paid even if a hunting license and habitat fee are not required.

Federal Duck Stamp - All residents and nonresidents 16 years old or older must have a valid federal duck stamp (duck stamp) on their person while hunting geese and ducks. The hunter must sign the stamp across the face. The stamp is required even if a hunting license and habitat fee are not required. Federal duck stamps are available at most post offices, national wildlife refuges and at some license agents. Federal duck stamps are also available online at www.duckstamp.com.

All Participants Must be Licensed - All participants in a hunt must be properly licensed and have paid the appropriate fees. It is up to the discretion of the conservation officer to determine whether a person is “participating in the hunt.” Participation includes, but is not limited to, handling weapons or ammunition during the hunt, making animal calls to attract game, driving, flushing, or locating game, and handling dogs.

Falconers - Special licenses, regulations, and season dates apply to residents and nonresidents who hunt with birds of prey. Information may be found at http://www.iowadnr.gov/wildlife/files/iahuntfish_regs.html

The following persons are not required to purchase a hunting license or pay certain fees:

1) Resident and nonresident owners and tenants of land in Iowa and their juvenile children may hunt waterfowl and other migratory game birds on such lands without a hunting license or paying the wildlife habitat fee. Persons exempted under this provision must still possess a valid federal duck stamp and have paid the Iowa migratory game bird fee to hunt migratory game birds if they are 16 years old or older.

2a) Residents under 16 years old that hunt under the direct supervision of a properly licensed parent, guardian or other competent adult, with the consent of the parent or guardian, do not need to buy a hunting license, federal duck stamp, or pay the Iowa habitat and migratory game bird fees. One properly licensed adult must accompany each unlicensed hunter under 16 years old. The youth hunter may shoot and possess his/her own limit.

2b) Residents 12 to 16 years old may hunt without adult supervision, but must have a hunting license and must have passed a hunter education course (see “Hunter Education Requirements” p. 9). The federal duck stamp and Iowa habitat and migratory game bird fees are not required.

3) Military personnel that qualify as a resident of Iowa, that are on active duty with the armed forces of the United States, and are on authorized leave from a duty station outside of Iowa, do not need a Hunting License or pay the Habitat Fee. They must possess a federal duck stamp and pay the Iowa Migratory Game Bird Fee to hunt migratory game birds. They must carry their leave papers

on their person while hunting and a copy of their current earnings statement showing an Iowa income tax deduction.

Hunter Education Requirements

Resident and nonresident hunters born after Jan. 1, 1972, must satisfactorily complete a hunter education course in order to obtain a hunting license. A person who is 11 years-old or older may enroll in a course, but those who are 11 and successfully complete the course shall be issued a certificate of completion that becomes valid on the person's 12th birthday.

For a list of class dates and locations, call 515-281-5918 or go to www.iowadnr.gov and click on the Safety Education link in the navigation bar on the left, then on Iowa Hunter Education Training.

Alternative. A hunter education certificate issued by another state or certain foreign nations will meet the above requirement. Proof of completion is required when purchasing your first Iowa hunting license.

Harvest Information Program (HIP)

Federal regulations require all hunters to register with the Harvest Information Program (HIP) before hunting migratory game birds in the United States. Hunters must register in each state in which they hunt migratory game birds. **In Iowa, hunters are automatically registered with HIP when they pay the Iowa migratory game bird fee.** Hunters should answer the HIP questions accurately.

Answers to the HIP questions are not used to directly estimate the numbers of migratory game birds shot by hunters. They are used to put hunters into groups with similar hunting success. A sample of hunters from each group is mailed a diary and asked to record the number of migratory birds they harvest each day they hunt. The information from these diaries is used to estimate the number of migratory game birds harvested in each state, an important consideration in setting the following year's seasons.

SPECIAL HUNTS

Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days

Hunters ages 15 or younger may hunt waterfowl during Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days without purchasing a hunting license or federal duck stamp or paying the Iowa habitat or migratory game bird fees. The youth hunter must be accompanied by an adult 18 years old or older. The adult must have a hunting license and have paid the Iowa wildlife habitat and migratory game bird fees, if normally required to do so to hunt waterfowl. Only the youth may hunt ducks, geese and coots. The accompanying adult may hunt any game that is in season, including other migratory game birds that may be in season, provided he/she possess a federal duck stamp. The daily bag and possession limit for ducks, geese, mergansers and coots for the youth season are the same as for the regular season. All other regulations in effect for the regular waterfowl seasons apply during the youth hunt.

Special September Canada Goose Seasons

Special September Canada goose seasons are open September 1-15 in the Des Moines, Cedar Rapids-Iowa City, and Waterloo-Cedar Falls zones. The daily bag limit in these zones is 5 Canada geese. The zone boundary maps are available on the DNR's web site at www.iowadnr.gov/wildlife/files/earlycago.html

Light Goose Conservation Order

Only light geese (white- and blue-phase snow geese and Ross' geese) can legally be taken during the Light Goose Conservation Order. Hunters must have a valid resident or nonresident hunting license and have paid the current Iowa wildlife habitat and migratory game bird fees. A federal duck stamp is not required.

Shooting hours are 1/2-hour before sunrise until 1/2-hour after sunset each day. The daily limit is 20 light geese. There is no possession limit. Hunters may use electronic callers and unplugged shotguns during the Light Goose Conservation Order.

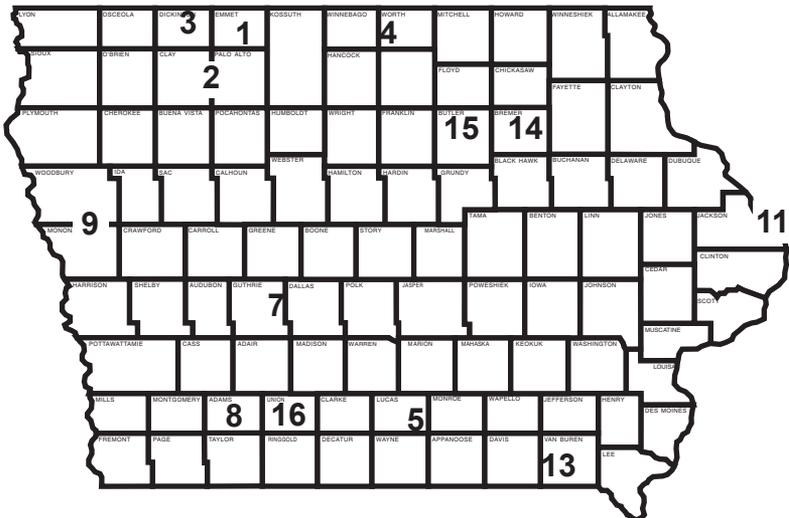
DNR Wildlife Refuges

The following areas under the jurisdiction of the Department of Natural Resources are established as game refuges where posted as such. It shall be unlawful to hunt, pursue, kill, trap or take any wild animal, bird or game on these areas at any time, and no one shall carry firearms thereon. It shall also be unlawful to trespass in any manner on the following areas, where posted as such, between the dates of Sept. 1 and Jan. 31 of the following year, both dates inclusive, except that DNR personnel and law enforcement officials may enter the area at any time in performance of their duties.

AREA	COUNTY	AREA	COUNTY
Lake Icaria	Adams	Hawkeye WMA	Johnson
Pool Slough	Allamakee	Muskrat Slough	Jones
Rathbun Area	Appanoose, Lucas, Wayne	Colyn Area	Lucas
Sedan Bottoms	Appanoose	Red Rock Area	Marion, Polk, Warren
Wildlife Exhibit Area	Boone	Badger Lake	Monona
Sweet Marsh	Bremer	Tieville/Decatur Bend	Monona
Big Marsh	Butler	Five Island Lake	Palo Alto
South Twin Lake	Calhoun	Big Creek/Saylorville Complex	Polk
Ventura Marsh	Cerro Gordo	Chichaqua Area	Polk
Round Lake	Clay	Smith Area	Pottawattamie
Allen Green Refuge	Des Moines	McCausland	Scott
Henderson WMA	Dickinson	Princeton Area	Scott
Jemmerston Slough	Dickinson	Prairie Rose Lake	Shelby
Spring Run WMA	Dickinson	Otter Creek Marsh	Tama
Ingham Lake	Emmet	Green Valley Lake	Union
Forney Lake	Fremont	Three Mile Lake	Union
Riverton Area	Fremont	Lake Sugema	Van Buren
Dunbar Slough	Greene	Rice Lake Area	Winnebago
Bays Branch	Guthrie	Snyder Lake	Woodbury
Crystal Hills	Hancock	Elk Creek Marsh	Worth
Eagle Flats	Hancock	Lake Cornelia	Wright
Eagle Lake	Hancock		
Green Island Area	Jackson		

Areas Closed to Canada Goose Hunting

Canada goose hunting is closed in posted portions of 16 counties. Maps of the closed areas may be obtained by going to www.iowadnr.gov/wildlife/pdfs/cagoref_locmap.pdf Maps are also available from local conservation officers, at DNR facilities near the Canada goose closed areas, or by calling the DNR Central Office at 515/281-5918. Be prepared to tell the area name for the map you are ordering. Allow two weeks for delivery.



1. Emmet County; Northwest Regional Office in Spirit Lake and Ingham Wildlife Unit near Wallingford.
2. Clay/Palo Alto counties; Northwest Regional Office in Spirit Lake and Ruthven Wildlife Unit near Ruthven.
3. Dickinson County; Northwest Regional Office in Spirit Lake and Big Sioux Wildlife Unit near Spirit Lake.
4. Worth/Winnebago counties; Northeast Regional Office in Manchester and the Clear Lake Unit in Ventura.
5. Lucas County; Southeast Regional Office in Brighton and the Rathbun Wildlife Unit near Russell.
7. Guthrie County; Southwest Regional Office in Lewis and the Bays Branch Unit near Panora.

- 8.** Adams County; Southwest Regional Office in Lewis and the Mt. Ayr Wildlife Unit near Mt. Ayr.
- 9.** Monona/Woodbury counties; Southwest Regional Office in Lewis and the Missouri River Unit near Whiting.
- 11.** Jackson County; Northeast Regional Office in Manchester and the Maquoketa Unit near Green Island.
- 13.** Van Buren County; Southeast Regional Office in Brighton and the Wapello Wildlife Unit near Keosauqua.
- 14.** Bremer County; Northeast Regional Office in Manchester and the Sweet Marsh Unit near Tripoli.
- 15.** Butler County; Northeast Regional Office in Manchester and the Big Marsh Unit near Parkersburg.
- 16.** Union County; Southwest Regional Office in Lewis and the Mt. Ayr Wildlife Unit near Mt. Ayr.

AREAS CLOSED TO WATERFOWL HUNTING

Hunters may pursue other species on the listed areas once the duck and goose seasons are closed. The entire state is open to waterfowl hunting except for the following areas:

- 1) The east-west road adjacent to Forney Lake in Fremont County;
- 2) U.S. Highway 30 adjacent to Desoto National Wildlife Refuge in Harrison County;
- 3) County roads adjacent to Union Slough National Wildlife Refuge in Kossuth County;
- 4) Marked county roads near the Mark Twain National Wildlife Refuge in Louisa County;
- 5) Posted dikes at Green Island Wildlife Management Area in Jackson County;
- 6) Posted dikes at Otter Creek Wildlife Management Area in Tama County;
- 7) Posted lands adjacent to Rathbun Reservoir in Appanoose and Lucas counties;
- 8) Portions of Summit Lake in Union County;
- 9) Posted portions of Clear Lake and Ventura Marsh in Cerro Gordo County.
- 10) Within 300 feet of the center of Army Road from New Albin to the boat ramp on the Mississippi River, in Allamakee Co.

National Wildlife Refuges

Some parts of the National Wildlife Refuges under the management of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Iowa are closed to hunting. In addition, there may be other regulations that limit the species that can be hunted on these national wildlife refuge properties, as well as when and how they can be hunted.

For more details on hunting on U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wildlife Refuge lands go to: <http://www.fws.gov/midwest/maps/iowa.htm> and click on the refuge for which you want information. Or, write to: Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1 Federal Drive, Ft. Snelling, MN 55111.

For questions about interpretations of Federal regulations contact: Special Agent-in-Charge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1 Federal Drive, Ft. Snelling, MN 55111 or phone (612) 713-5320.

GENERAL MIGRATORY GAME BIRD HUNTING REGULATIONS

Federal Regulations Summary

You cannot take migratory game birds:

- ◆ with a trap, net, rifle, pistol, swivel gun, shotgun larger than 10 gauge, punt gun, battery gun, machine gun, fish hook, poison, drug, explosive or stupefying substance.

- ◆ with a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells, unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler which is incapable of being removed without disassembling the gun.

- ◆ from a sink box (a low floating device, having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water).

- ◆ from or with the aid or use of any motor vehicle or other motor-driven land conveyance or any aircraft, except that paraplegics and single or double leg amputees may take from any stationary motor-driven land conveyance.

- ◆ by the use or aid of live decoys. All live, tame or captive ducks and geese shall be removed for a period of 10 consecutive days prior to hunting, and confined within an enclosure which substantially reduces the audibility of their calls and totally conceals such tame birds from the sight of migratory waterfowl.

- ◆ by the aid of baiting or on or over a baited area where a person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited. A baited area is considered to be baited for 10 days after complete removal of any bait. Baiting includes placing, exposing, depositing or distributing salt, grain or other feed that could serve as a lure or attraction for migratory game birds to, on or over areas where hunters are attempting to take them. Agricultural areas must be prepared in accordance with official recommendations to be legally hunted. It is a separate offense to place, or direct placement of bait, on or adjacent to an area which causes, induces or allows another to hunt by the aid of bait or over a baited area. Hunters are responsible for ensuring that an area has not been baited and should verify its legality prior to hunting. The maximum federal penalties are: for hunting over bait, \$15,000/six months in jail; for placing bait, \$100,000/one year in jail.

- ◆ from a motorboat or sailboat under power. A craft under power may be used to retrieve dead or crippled birds, except crippled birds may not be shot from such craft under power.

◆ by the use or aid of recorded or electronically amplified bird calls or sounds or recordings or electronically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.

Shipment

You cannot ship migratory game birds unless the package is marked on the outside with: 1. the name and address of the person sending the birds; 2. the name and address of the person receiving the birds; and 3. the number of birds, by species, contained in the package.

Importation and Transportation Within the United States

For information regarding the importation of migratory birds killed in another country, hunters should consult the Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20. One fully feathered wing or head must remain attached to all migratory game birds, except doves and band-tailed pigeons, being transported between a port of entry and the hunter's home or to a migratory bird preservation facility. You cannot import migratory game birds killed in any foreign country, except Canada, unless such birds are dressed (except as required above), drawn and the head and feet removed.

Iowa Regulations Summary

Nontoxic Shot Only

You cannot have in your possession any shotshell loaded with anything other than nontoxic shot approved by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) when hunting any migratory game birds, except woodcock, on any land or waters of the state of Iowa. Nontoxic shot currently approved by the USFWS includes: steel, bismuth-tin, tungsten-bronze, tungsten-iron (two types), tungsten-matrix, tungsten-nickel-iron, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-tin-bismuth, tungsten-tin-iron, tungsten-iron-copper-nickel, and tungsten-tin-iron-nickel. For more information, go to <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/nontoxic.htm>

Blinds

A blind is a constructed place of concealment for hunting, observing or photographing wildlife. You may construct a blind on a game management area using only the natural vegetation found on the area,

except that no trees or parts of trees other than willows can be cut for that purpose. The use of such blinds is on a first-come, first-served basis whether or not you constructed the blind. You cannot drive or otherwise place any nail, spike, pin or any other object, metal or otherwise, into any tree on a game management area to construct a blind or to make access to a blind or to a hunting location above the ground. Portable blinds are prohibited on game management areas from one hour after sunset until midnight of each day. Portable blinds which are built on, or are part of, a boat shall be considered as removed from an area when the boat and blind are tied up or moored at an approved access site. No boat may be anchored away from shore and left unattended unless it is attached to a legal buoy. Special regulations regarding the use and construction of blinds on parts of the Mississippi River are described below.

Decoys

A “decoy” is a likeness of a bird or animal used to lure game within shooting range. Decoys are prohibited on all game management areas from one hour after sunset until midnight of each day. Decoys are considered removed from an area if they are in a boat or other container at an approved access site. Waterfowl decoys cannot be left unattended for more than 30 minutes between midnight and one-half hour after sunset. Special regulations regarding the use of decoys on parts of the Mississippi River are described below.

Stationary Blinds and Use of Decoys on Pools 14 - 18 on the Mississippi River.

Hunters wishing to build a stationary blind on Pool 14 downstream of Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge River Mile 502, near Princeton, Iowa, and Pools 15, 16, 17 and 18 of the Mississippi River must register their blind site with the Department of Natural Resources by completing a registration card and designating the blind’s location on a map. Registration is held in August at a site publicly announced by the Department. Registration is for a 5-year period and requires a fee of \$100.00. The blind registration number must be visibly posted at the blind’s entrance. Blinds must be at least four feet by eight feet in size, but cannot have a floor space larger than 500 square feet, not including a boat hide. Blinds must be constructed of biodegradable materials. Treated lumber, treated

plywood, woven wire, chicken wire, cattle panels, tin and sheet metal, vinyl and plastic, and other non-biodegradable materials are not allowed unless they are removed within three days after the close of the waterfowl season. The use of metal and nylon fasteners including but not limited to nails, screws, lag bolts, staples and ties is allowed. No brush or trees, other than willows, may be removed around the blind. Blind registrants must occupy their blind by the opening of shooting time each day to claim the blind for that day. After this time, unoccupied blinds will be available to any other hunters. No person will claim or attempt to claim a blind which is legally occupied and no person will harass, in any manner, the occupants of a blind that has been legally occupied. Blinds may not be locked. Decoys may be left out for the entire waterfowl season but must be picked up and removed from the area within three days after the close of the waterfowl season. All jugs and other floating devices used to attract waterfowl are considered decoys.

Daily Bag Limit

You cannot take in any one day more than one daily bag limit.

Field Possession Limit

You cannot possess more than one daily bag limit while in the field or while returning from the field to the vehicle, hunting camp, home, etc.

Transportation

One fully feathered wing or head must remain attached to all migratory game birds, except doves and band-tailed pigeons, being transported from the field or a processing facility to the hunter's home.

Wanton Waste

All migratory game birds killed or crippled must be retrieved, if possible, and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field.

Possession of Live Birds

Wounded birds reduced to possession must be immediately killed and included in the daily bag limit.

Shooting or Hawking Hours

You cannot take migratory game birds except during the hours open to shooting and hawking. For complete falconry information, visit the Iowa DNR's web site at <http://www.iowadnr.gov/law/regs.html>

Tagging

You cannot give, put or leave any migratory game birds at any place or in the custody of another person unless you tag the birds with the following information: 1. your signature; 2. your address; 3. the total number of birds involved, by species; 4. the dates such birds were killed.

You cannot receive or have in custody any migratory game birds belonging to another person unless such birds are properly tagged.

Dual Violation

Violation of state migratory bird regulations is also a violation of federal regulations.

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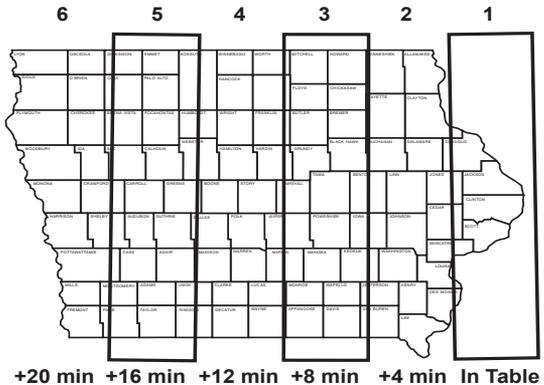
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Day	SEPT.		OCT.		NOV.		DEC.		JAN.		Day
	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.									
01	5:28	6:36	6:00	5:44	6:36	4:56	7:12	4:32	7:31	4:42	01
02	5:29	6:34	6:01	5:42	6:37	4:55	7:13	4:32	7:31	4:43	02
03	5:31	6:33	6:02	5:40	6:38	4:54	7:14	4:31	7:31	4:44	03
04	5:32	6:31	6:03	5:39	6:39	4:53	7:15	4:31	7:31	4:45	04
05	5:33	6:29	6:04	5:37	6:41	4:51	7:16	4:31	7:31	4:46	05
06	5:34	6:27	6:05	5:35	6:42	4:50	7:17	4:31	7:31	4:46	06
07	5:35	6:26	6:06	5:34	6:43	4:49	7:18	4:31	7:31	4:47	07
08	5:36	6:24	6:08	5:32	6:44	4:48	7:18	4:31	7:31	4:49	08
09	5:37	6:22	6:09	5:30	6:46	4:47	7:19	4:31	7:30	4:50	09
10	5:38	6:21	6:10	5:29	6:47	4:46	7:20	4:31	7:30	4:51	10
11	5:39	6:19	6:11	5:27	6:48	4:45	7:21	4:31	7:30	4:52	11
12	5:40	6:17	6:12	5:25	6:49	4:44	7:22	4:31	7:30	4:53	12
13	5:41	6:15	6:13	5:24	6:51	4:43	7:23	4:31	7:29	4:54	13
14	5:42	6:14	6:14	5:22	6:52	4:42	7:23	4:32	7:29	4:55	14
15	5:43	6:12	6:16	5:21	6:53	4:41	7:24	4:32	7:28	4:56	15
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Day	FEB.		MARCH		APRIL	
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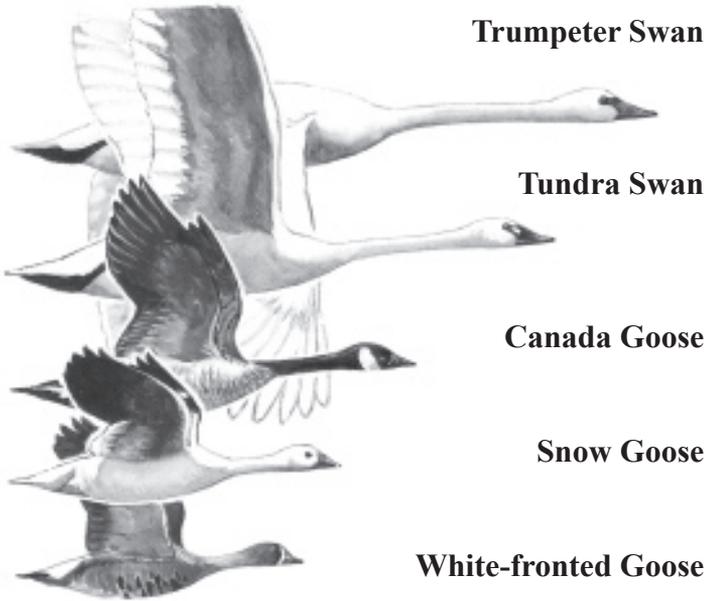
- The sunrise-sunset schedule represents Zone 1 in eastern Iowa (See map).
- **Add four minutes for each zone west of Zone 1.**
- Each schedule is based on **Central Standard Time.**
- **Add one hour for Daylight Savings Time when in effect, from the second Sunday in March to the first Sunday in November.**



Trumpeter Swan Identification

Be Sure of Your Target BEFORE You Shoot

The Iowa DNR is currently restoring trumpeter swans to its native nesting grounds in Iowa. The trumpeter and the arctic nesting tundra swan that migrate through the state are given complete protection in Iowa. Shooting a swan could result in a stiff fine and a \$1,500 liquidated damage fee. There is no reason to mistake a trumpeter swan for a snow or Canada goose. Trumpeter swans weigh up to 35 pounds, have up to an 8-foot wingspan and all primary wing feathers are white, or gray if they are immature. Snow geese weigh up to 6 pounds and have 2- or 3- foot wingspan and have black on their outer primary wing feathers.



The Harvest Information Program (HIP)

Annual harvest estimates are critical to assessing the impacts of hunting seasons on waterfowl. All hunters 16 years old or older who purchase a waterfowl fee are asked two questions about their duck hunting activity during the previous year.

Did you hunt ducks last year? (yes or no)

If yes, how many did you shoot? 0, 1-10, or more than 10.

How a hunter answers these questions determines in which group his or her name will be placed for the purpose of sampling for the harvest survey.

The hunters that answered “no” to the first question are combined with those that said they did not shoot any ducks last year to form one group. The second group consists of the hunters that said they shot 1-10 ducks, and third group contains the hunters that said they shot more than 10 ducks.

A random sample of hunters is selected from each group. One percent of the hunters from the first group, 2 percent of the hunters from the second group, and 4 percent of the hunters from the third group are selected for the harvest survey. In total, 645 Iowa hunters were selected for this survey in 2008. More hunters are selected from group 3 because this group reported shooting anywhere from 10 to 150 ducks in a season, thus more hunters need to be sampled to precisely estimate the harvest for the group. This greatly improves the precision of the final harvest estimates. The more precise the estimates, the easier it is to see if harvests have truly changed from one year to the next.

Hunters selected for this survey are sent a diary to record the days they hunted and how many ducks and geese they personally shot each day. At the end of the season, they return their completed diary to the USFWS. About half the hunters return their diaries, but a much greater proportion of highly successful hunters return their diaries than hunters from groups 1 or 2. This bias is corrected for when the final harvest estimates are calculated. This process provides precise harvest estimates at the Flyway level. State level harvest estimates are not as precise, but still very useful for monitoring harvest trends on a state by state basis.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

Federal and State law prohibits employment and/or public accommodation (such as access to services or physical facilities) discrimination on the basis of age, color, creed, disability (mental and/or physical), gender identity, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation. If you believe you have been discriminated against in any program, activity or facility as described above, or if you desire further information, contact the Iowa Civil Rights Commission at 1-800-457-4416, or write to: Director, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Wallace State Office Building, 502 E. 9th, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0034.

ALTERNATIVE FORMATS

This information is available in alternative formats upon request by contacting the DNR at 515-281-5918. TTY users - Contact Relay Iowa at 800-735-2942.